In view of this, may I know whether the Government will consider the desirability of dropping the system of giving overtime work to the labourers of the Government Press and give the extra work to private presses outside? "

THE HON. RAJA SRI SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" I have already stated that it has not been established that they were affected by tuberculosis by doing overtime work. In this connexion, I may state that for the benefit of the rehabilitated ex-tuberculosis patients who are in the Amirthnagar Colony at Tambaram, a suggestion has been made that a Press should be established there. This is what the Governor himself has suggested to me. The medical authorities have also suggested the same thing. So it cannot be said that they are affected by tuberculosis by doing overtime work in the Government Press. Of course, the hon. Member may perhaps plead the cause of the private presses who are clamouring that they should be given some work. Anyhow, I shall have the entire question examined. We are at present trying to do the best to our labour."

SRI K. VINAYAKAM :—" Apart from the advisability of giving the work to private presses for which I am not pleading, may I draw the attention of the Hon. Minister to the medical report issued by the Tuberculosis Sanatorium, Tambaram, which categorically states that the patients who come from the Government Press, Madras, are suffering from tuberculosis due to lead poisoning? This is the categorical statement contained in the report. Will the Hon. Minister look into the matter and revise his opinion? "

THE HON. RAJA SRI SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" I have no knowledge of that. In view of what the hon. Member has said, I shall, however, call for the report and examine it."

Road works under the Village Communications Scheme in Udaiyarpalayam taluk.

* 1294 *Q.*—SRI V. R. NAGARAJAN (on behalf of Sri K. R. Viswanathan): Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state— 9-40 a.m.

(*a*) the names of new road works proposed to be undertaken under the Village Communications Scheme in Udaiyarpalayam taluk in the Five-Year period, 1953–58; and

(*b*) the authority who is empowered to select these new works?

THE HON. SRI S. S. RAMASAMY PADAYACHI :—" (*a*) The National Five-Year Plan commenced with the year 1951–52 and will end in 1955–56. A statement[a] showing the names of the works included in this plan in respect of Udaiyarpalayam taluk is placed on the table of the House.

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[a] Printed as Appendix II on pages 591–592 infra.

" (b) The works are selected by the Chief Engineer (Highways) in consultation with the Divisional Engineer (Highways) and the district board and they are included in the Five-Year Plan with the approval of Government. Additions and alterations to the plan in so far as it relates to the district board are approved by Government in consultation with the Collector and the Chief Engineer (Highways)."

Grant of concessions to sivoijamadar cultivating Government poramboke lands.

* 1295 *Q.*—Sri V. R. NAGARAJAN (on behalf of Sri K. R. Viswanathan) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) the benefits and concessions granted to a sivoijamadar permitted to cultivate Government poramboke lands under the " Grow-More Food Scheme "; and

(*b*) whether the Government will be pleased to place on the table of the House a copy of all orders issued by the Government from July 1953 regarding the assignment of poramboke lands?

The Hon. Sri M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" (*a*) No special benefits apart from the general concessions given to agriculturists under the Grow More Food campaign, are granted to a sivoijamadar who cultivates Government poramboke lands.

" (*b*) Several orders have been issued from time to time. The latest orders regarding the assignment of poramboke lands are contained in [a] G.Os. Ms. No. 296, Revenue, dated 10th February 1954 and Ms. No. 336, Revenue, dated 15th February 1954 (Appendix III). All previous orders on the subject have either been incorporated or superseded by these two Government Orders which represent briefly the present policy of assignment of valuable and non-valuable lands."

Sri S. DEIVASIGAMANY :—" Sir, the word ' sivojamadar ' is very difficult to pronounce. Will Government consider changing it into an easier word? "

The Hon. Sri M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" I request the hon. Member to suggest a suitable name and then we shall consider it."

Sri V. R. NAGARAJAN :—" Sir, from the answer given by the Hon. Minister, are we to take it that the Government have absolutely given up the Grow More Food scheme and no further benefits or concessions will be shown to the agriculturists? "

The Hon. Sri M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" Yes, Sir. The Grow More Food scheme will be given up gradually."

[a] Printed as Appendix III on pages 592–596 infra.